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## RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Responsive to the Office Action mailed January 15, 2003, entry of the following Amendments and Remarks is respectfully requested.

## AMENDMENT

In the specification:

Please replace the paragraph on page 70, lines 2-29, with the following paragraph:



-- The invention provides a diverse population of uniquely labeled probes, containing about thirty or more target specific nucleic acid probes each attached to a unique label bound to a nucleic acid. Also provided is a method of producing a population of uniquely labeled nucleic acid probes. The method